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BIOGRAPHY

At age seven, Mary Rogers (d. 1857), daughter of James Rogers [Rodgers], moved with her family from Virginia to Nelson County, Kentucky. Mary married Vincent Dunn, and they had several children; three of which were: Prudence (1798-188?), James R. (1802?-1881), and Vincent (b. 1811). After the death of her husband in 1811, Mary moved to Grayson County. Prudence’s first husband was a Mr. Rogers, and they lived in Bowling Green, Missouri. Her second husband was the Disciples of Christ minister Jacob Creath, Jr. (1799-1886). They lived in Palmyra, Missouri, where she managed the farm and reared the children while he served as an itinerant preacher. Meanwhile, James and his wife Elizabeth resided on a Grayson County farm with their family of several daughters and son, Zachariah James (1842-1918).

Bibliographical Notes
Donan, P. Memoir of Jacob Creath, Jr., 1872.
U. S. Census, 1850.

THE COLLECTION

This collection consists of letters, 1832-1916 (108 items), of the Dunn family of Grayson County, Kentucky, written chiefly to James R. Dunn, his mother, and his son. Sixty of the letters from Prudence (Dunn) [Rogers] Creath contain comments on her husband’s evangelistic travels, farming in Missouri, the Civil War, her steamboat trip from Kentucky to Missouri in 1868, and family affairs. The other letters, primarily about farming in Illinois and family matters, are from Grayson Porter of Illinois, William E.
Ward of Caneyville, Kentucky, and members of the Dunn, Rogers, and Nelson families. Additionally, there are miscellaneous family tax receipts, 1824-1911 (116).

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